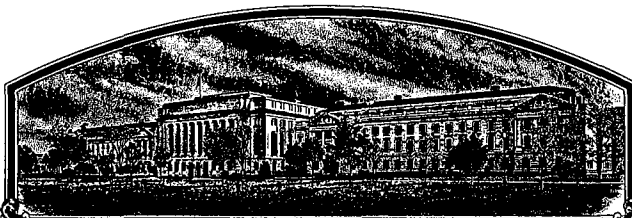


No.

9600095



THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

Holden's Foundation Seeds, Inc.

Whereas, THERE HAS BEEN PRESENTED TO THE

Secretary of Agriculture

AN APPLICATION REQUESTING A CERTIFICATE OF PROTECTION FOR AN ALLEGED DISTINCT VARIETY OF SEXUALLY REPRODUCED, OR TUBER PROPAGATED PLANT, THE NAME AND DESCRIPTION OF WHICH ARE CONTAINED IN THE APPLICATION AND EXHIBITS, A COPY OF WHICH IS HEREUNTO ANNEXED AND MADE A PART HEREOF, AND THE VARIOUS REQUIREMENTS OF LAW IN SUCH CASES MADE AND PROVIDED HAVE BEEN COMPLIED WITH, AND THE TITLE THERETO IS, FROM THE RECORDS OF THE PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION OFFICE, IN THE APPLICANT(S) INDICATED IN THE SAID COPY, AND WHEREAS, UPON DUE EXAMINATION MADE, THE SAID APPLICANT(S) IS (ARE) ADJUDGED TO BE ENTITLED TO A CERTIFICATE OF PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION UNDER THE LAW.

NOW, THEREFORE, THIS CERTIFICATE OF PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION IS TO GRANT UNTO THE SAID APPLICANT(S) AND THE SUCCESSORS, HEIRS OR ASSIGNS OF THE SAID APPLICANT(S) FOR THE TERM OF TWENTY YEARS FROM THE DATE OF THIS GRANT, SUBJECT TO THE PAYMENT OF THE REQUIRED FEES AND PERIODIC REPLENISHMENT OF VIABLE BASIC SEED OF THE VARIETY IN A PUBLIC REPOSITORY AS PROVIDED BY LAW, THE RIGHT TO EXCLUDE OTHERS FROM SELLING THE VARIETY, OR OFFERING IT FOR SALE, OR REPRODUCING IT, OR IMPORTING IT, OR EXPORTING IT, OR CONDITIONING IT FOR PROPAGATION, OR STOCKING IT FOR ANY OF THE ABOVE PURPOSES, OR USING IT IN PRODUCING A HYBRID OR DIFFERENT VARIETY THEREFROM, TO THE EXTENT PROVIDED BY THE PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION ACT. (84 STAT. 1542, AS AMENDED, 7 U.S.C. 2321 ET SEQ.)

CORN

'LH178'

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Plant Variety Protection Office to be affixed at the City of Washington, D.C. this thirty-first day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and ninety-seven.

Attest:

Mauda A. Stuart
Commissioner
Plant Variety Protection Office
Agricultural Marketing Service

Samuel J. Childers
Secretary of Agriculture

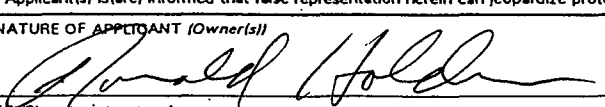
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SCIENCE DIVISION - PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION OFFICE

The following statements are made in accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a).

Application is required in order to determine if a plant variety protection certificate is to be issued (7 U.S.C. 2421). Information is held confidential until certificate is issued (7 U.S.C. 2426).

APPLICATION FOR PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION CERTIFICATE

(Instructions and information collection burden statement on reverse)

1. NAME OF APPLICANT(S) <i>(as it is to appear on the Certificate)</i>		2. TEMPORARY DESIGNATION OR EXPERIMENTAL NUMBER	3. VARIETY NAME
HOLDEN'S FOUNDATION SEEDS, INC.		Ex3509	LH178
4. ADDRESS <i>(Street and No., or R.F.D. No., City, State, and ZIP Code, and Country)</i>		5. TELEPHONE <i>(include area code)</i>	FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY PVPO NUMBER 9600095 DATE Jan. 5, 1996 FILING AND EXAMINATION FEE: \$2450.00 DATE 1/4/96 CERTIFICATION FEE: \$300.00 DATE Sept. 23, 1997
201 N. MAPLEWOOD AVENUE PO BOX 839 WILLIAMSBURG, IA 52361		6. FAX <i>(include area code)</i> (319) 668-2453	
7. GENUS AND SPECIES NAME	8. FAMILY NAME <i>(Botanical)</i>		
ZEA MAYS	GRAMINEAE		
9. CROP KIND NAME <i>(Common name)</i>			
CORN, FIELD			
10. IF THE APPLICANT NAMED IS NOT A "PERSON", GIVE FORM OF ORGANIZATION <i>(corporation, partnership, association, etc.) (Common name)</i>			
CORPORATION			
11. IF INCORPORATED, GIVE STATE OF INCORPORATION		12. DATE OF INCORPORATION	
IOWA		1/2/1968	
13. NAME AND ADDRESS OF APPLICANT REPRESENTATIVE(S), IF ANY, TO SERVE IN THIS APPLICATION AND RECEIVE ALL PAPERS			14. TELEPHONE <i>(include area code)</i>
MR. MARK ARMSTRONG HOLDEN'S FOUNDATION SEEDS, INC. 201 N. MAPLEWOOD AVENUE PO BOX 839 WILLIAMSBURG, IA 52361			(319) 668-1100
			15. FAX <i>(include area code)</i>
			(319) 668-2453
16. CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX FOR EACH ATTACHMENT SUBMITTED <i>(Follow instructions on reverse)</i>			
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17. DOES THE APPLICANT SPECIFY THAT SEED OF THIS VARIETY BE SOLD BY VARIETY NAME ONLY, AS A CLASS OF CERTIFIED SEED? <i>(See Section 83(a) of the Plant Variety Protection Act)</i>			
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <i>(If "yes," answer items 18 and 19 below)</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <i>(If "no," go to item 20)</i>			
18. DOES THE APPLICANT SPECIFY THAT SEED OF THIS VARIETY BE LIMITED AS TO NUMBER OF GENERATIONS?		19. IF "YES" TO ITEM 18, WHICH CLASSES OF PRODUCTION BEYOND BREEDER SEED?	
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		<input type="checkbox"/> FOUNDATION <input type="checkbox"/> REGISTERED <input type="checkbox"/> CERTIFIED	
20. HAS THE VARIETY OR A HYBRID PRODUCED FROM THE VARIETY BEEN RELEASED, USED, OFFERED FOR SALE, OR MARKETED IN THE U.S. OR OTHER COUNTRIES?			
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <i>(If "yes," give names of countries and dates)</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO			
21. The applicant(s) declare that a viable sample of basic seed of the variety will be furnished with application and will be replenished upon request in accordance with such regulations as may be applicable, or for a tuber propagated variety a tissue culture will be deposited in a public repository and maintained for the duration of the certificate.			
The undersigned applicant(s) is(are) the owner(s) of this sexually reproduced or tuber propagated plant variety, and believe(s) that the variety is new, distinct, uniform, and stable as required in Section 41, and is entitled to protection under the provisions of Section 42 of the Plant Variety Protection Act.			
Applicant(s) is(are) informed that false representation herein can jeopardize protection and result in penalties.			
SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT <i>(Owner(s))</i>		SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT <i>(Owner(s))</i>	
			
NAME <i>(Please print or type)</i>		NAME <i>(Please print or type)</i>	
RONALD HOLDEN			
CAPACITY OR TITLE	DATE	CAPACITY OR TITLE	DATE
PRESIDENT	1/2/96		

Origin and Breeding History of the Inbred

Exhibit A

Before the development of LH178 was initiated, the single cross LH85 x LH61 was crossed with LH82. This combination, LH85 x LH61) (LH82 was then selfed and the pedigree system of plant breeding was then used in the development of LH178. Yield, stalk quality, root quality, disease tolerance, late plant greenness, late plant intactness, ear retention, pollen shedding ability, silking ability and corn borer tolerance were the criteria used to determine the rows from which ears were selected.

LH85, LH61 and LH82 the progenitors of LH178, are all proprietary field corn inbred lines developed and owned by Holden's Foundation Seeds, Inc. of Williamsburg, Iowa. In 1987, Holden's Foundation Seeds, Inc. applied for plant variety protection of LH85 and LH61. LH85 and LH61 were awarded certificates #8700088 and #8700137 on March 31, 1988 and March 11, 1988 respectively. In 1984, Holden's Foundation Seeds, Inc. applied for plant variety protection of LH82 and was awarded certificate #88500037 on July 26, 1985.

On the following pages are a summary and description of the development of LH178. Also included are copies of pages from Holden's Foundation Seeds, Inc. nursery books. The rows associated with the development of LH178 have been highlighted.

Attached is a statement from David C. Harper II, PhD. of Holden's Foundation Seeds, Inc. stating that the line is stable, uniform and free of variance.

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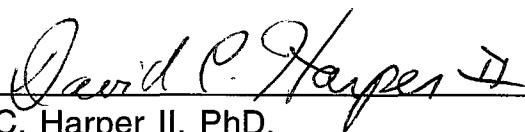
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<u>Row/Field</u>	<u>Pedigree</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Year</u>
North McCune	LH178	Iowa	1995
20 AS	LH178	Hawaii	1995
18025-18034	Ex3509	Iowa	1994
11058	LH85 x LH61)(LH82 @7	Iowa	1993
15807	LH85 x LH61)(LH82 @7	Iowa	1992
29367	LH85 x LH61)(LH82 @6	Hawaii	1992
30341	LH85 x LH61)(LH82 @5	Iowa	1991
31428	LH85 x LH61)(LH82 @4	Hawaii	1991
26756	LH85 x LH61)(LH82 @3	Iowa	1990
27655	LH85 x LH61)(LH82 @2	Hawaii	1990
13326	LH85 x LH61)(LH82 @1	Hawaii	1989
31745	LH85 x LH61)(LH82	Hawaii	1989
36748 36550	LH85 x LH61 LH82	Iowa	1988
34399 34377	LH85 LH61	Iowa	1987

Uniformity Statement

Exhibit A

I have observed LH178 during the last five generations it has been increased: 1992 Iowa nursery row 15807; 1993 Iowa nursery row 11058; 1994 Iowa nursery rows 18025-18034; 1995 Hawaii production field #20 AS; and 1995 Iowa production North McCune field. In each of these increases, seeds from the previous generation were planted. LH178 is stable and uniform. The inbred line is also free of variance from within the population.



David C. Harper II, PhD.

Plant Breeder

Holden's Foundation Seeds, Inc.

Novelty Statement

Exhibit B

LH178 is most similar to LH82. However, the most distinguishing difference is leaf color. LH178 is darker green in leaf color than LH82. When using Munsell Color Charts for Plant Tissues as a reference, LH178 would be classified as 5GY 4/4 and LH82 would be classified as 5GY 6/4.

The anther color of LH178 is yellow (2.5Y8/6) while the anther color of LH82 is pink (5RP 7/6).

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OBJECTIVE DESCRIPTION OF VARIETY
CORN (*Zea mays* L.)

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*	63.6	cm Length of Ear Node Leaf	4.02	50	59.3	3.46
*	5	Number of leaves above top ear	.48	50	4	.49
—	34	degrees Leaf Angle (measure from 2nd leaf above ear at anthesis to stalk above leaf)	5.47	50	28	6.28
*	02	Leaf Color (Munsell code <u>5GY 4/4</u>)			01	(Munsell code <u>5GY 5/4</u>)
—	2	Leaf Sheath Pubescence (Rate on scale from 1=none to 9=like peach fuzz)			5	
—	3	Marginal Waves (Rate on scale from 1=none to 9=many)			3	
—	3	Longitudinal Creases (Rate on scale from 1=none to 9=many)			3	
6. TASSEL:			Standard Deviation	Sample Size		
*	9	Number of Primary Lateral Branches	2.24	50	7	1.37
—	33	Branch Angle from Central Spike	13.31	50	26	8.06
*	37.8	cm Tassel Length (from top leaf collar to tassel tip)	4.29	50	34.8	3.87
—	7	Pollen Shed (Rate on scale from 0=male sterile to 9=heavy shed)			7	
—	07	Anther Color (Munsell code <u>2.5Y 8/6</u>)			07	(Munsell code <u>2.5Y 8/6</u>)
—	02	*WITH BROWN MARGIN Glume Color (Munsell code <u>5GY 4/4</u>)			02	(Munsell code <u>5GY 5/4</u>)
—	1	Bar Glumes (Glume Bands): 1=Absent 2=Present			1	*WITH BROWN MARGIN
7a. EAR (Unhusked Data):						
*	01	Silk Color (3 days after emergence) (Munsell code <u>2.5GY 8/6</u>)	14 ^{5R 5/6} 01 (Munsell code <u>2.5GY 8/6</u>)			
—	01	Fresh Husk Color (25 days after 50% silking) (Munsell code <u>2.5GY 7/6</u>)	01 (Munsell code <u>2.5GY 7/6</u>)			
—	21	Dry Husk Color (65 days after 50% Silking) (Munsell code <u>7.5YR 7/4</u>)	21 (Munsell code <u>7.5YR 7/4</u>)			
*	1	Position of Ear at Dry Husk Stage: 1=Upright 2=Horizontal 3=Pendent	1			
—	2	Husk Tightness (Rate on scale from 1=very loose to 9=very tight)	5			
—	2	Husk Extension (at harvest): 1=Short (ears exposed) 2=Medium (<8 cm) 3=Long (8-10 cm beyond ear tip) 4=Very Long (>10 cm)	1			
7b. EAR (Husked Ear Data):			Standard Deviation	Sample Size		
*	14.7	cm Ear Length	2.08	50	13.9	2.10
*	38.3	mm Ear Diameter at mid-point	1.40	50	37.8	2.40
—	84.6	gm Ear Weight	16.58	50	65.2	17.92
*	14	Number of Kernel Rows	1.92	50	13	1.50
—	2	Kernel Rows: 1=Indistinct 2=Distinct			2	
—	1	Row Alignment: 1=Straight 2=Slightly Curved 3=Spiral			1	
—	15.4	cm Shank Length	3.74	50	9.9	2.10
—	2	Ear Taper: 1=Slight 2=Average 3=Extreme			2	
Application Variety Data				Standard Inbred Data		
Note: Use chart on first page to choose color codes for color traits.						

Application Variety Data			Standard Inbred Data		
8. KERNEL (Dried):			Standard Deviation Sample Size		
<u>10.4</u> mm Kernel Length	<u>.54</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>10.2</u>	<u>1.00</u>	<u>50</u>
<u>8.2</u> mm Kernel Width	<u>.64</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>8.6</u>	<u>.74</u>	<u>50</u>
<u>4.9</u> mm Kernel Thickness	<u>.76</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>5.2</u>	<u>.89</u>	<u>50</u>
<u>29.1</u> % Round Kernels (Shape Grade)	<u>4.03</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>32.8</u>	<u>6.49</u>	<u>15</u>
1 Aleurone Color Pattern: 1=Homozygous 2=Segregating _____			1 _____		
(*) <u>19</u> Aleurone Color (Munsell code <u>2.5Y 8/2</u>)			<u>19</u> (Munsell code <u>2.5Y 8/2</u>)		
* <u>07</u> Hard Endosperm Color (Munsell code <u>2.5Y 5/6</u>)			<u>07</u> (Munsell code <u>2.5Y 6/8</u>)		
* <u>03</u> Endosperm Type: 1=Sweet (su1) 2=Extra Sweet (sh2) 3=Normal Starch 4=High Amylose Starch 5=Waxy Starch 6=High Protein 7=High Lysine 8=Super Sweet (se) 9=High Oil 10=Other _____			<u>03</u> _____		
<u>19.2</u> gm Weight per 100 Kernels (unsized sample)	<u>.46</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>23.0</u>	<u>1.00</u>	<u>15</u>
9. COB:			Standard Deviation Sample Size		
* <u>30.7</u> mm Cob Diameter at mid-point	<u>1.40</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>30.2</u>	<u>2.10</u>	<u>50</u>
<u>14</u> Cob Color (Munsell code <u>10R 5/6</u>)			<u>19</u> (Munsell code <u>2.5Y 8/2</u>)		
10. DISEASE RESISTANCE (Rate from 1 (most susceptible) to 9 (most resistant); leave blank if not tested; leave Race or Strain Options blank if polygenic):					
A. Leaf Blights, Wilts, and Local Infection Diseases					
<u> </u> Anthracnose Leaf Blight (<i>Colletotrichum graminicola</i>) <u> </u> Common Rust (<i>Puccinia sorghi</i>) <u> </u> Common Smut (<i>Ustilago maydis</i>) <u>5</u> Eyespot (<i>Kabatiella zeae</i>) <u> </u> Goss's Wilt (<i>Clavibacter michiganense</i> spp. <i>nebraskense</i>) <u>8</u> Gray Leaf Spot (<i>Cercospora zeae-maydis</i>) <u> </u> Helminthosporium Leaf Spot (<i>Bipolaris zeicola</i>) Race _____ <u> </u> Northern Leaf Blight (<i>Exserohilum turcicum</i>) Race _____ <u>3</u> Southern Leaf Blight (<i>Bipolaris maydis</i>) Race _____ <u> </u> Southern Rust (<i>Puccinia polysora</i>) <u> </u> Stewart's Wilt (<i>Erwinia stewartii</i>) <u>5</u> Other (Specify) <u>NORTHERN LEAF SPOT RACE 3 (H. CARBONUM)</u>					
B. Systemic Diseases					
<u> </u> Corn Lethal Necrosis (MCMV and MDMV) <u> </u> Head Smut (<i>Sphacelotheca reiliana</i>) <u> </u> Maize Chlorotic Dwarf Virus (MCDV) <u> </u> Maize Chlorotic Mottle Virus (MCMV) <u> </u> Maize Dwarf Mosaic Virus (MDMV) Strain _____ <u> </u> Sorghum Downy Mildew of Corn (<i>Peronosclerospora sorghi</i>) <u> </u> Other (Specify) _____					
C. Stalk Rots					
<u> </u> Anthracnose Stalk Rot (<i>Colletotrichum graminicola</i>) <u> </u> Diplodia Stalk Rot (<i>Stenocarpella maydis</i>) <u> </u> Fusarium Stalk Rot (<i>Fusarium moniliforme</i>) <u> </u> Gibberella Stalk Rot (<i>Gibberella zeae</i>) <u> </u> Other (Specify) _____					
D. Ear and Kernel Rots					
<u> </u> Aspergillus Ear and Kernel Rot (<i>Aspergillus flavus</i>) <u> </u> Diplodia Ear Rot (<i>Stenocarpella maydis</i>) <u> </u> Fusarium Ear and Kernel Rot (<i>Fusarium moniliforme</i>) <u> </u> Gibberella Ear Rot (<i>Gibberella zeae</i>) <u> </u> Other (Specify) _____					
Application Variety Data			Standard Inbred Data		

11. INSECT RESISTANCE (Rate from 1 (most susceptible) to 9 (most resistant);
leave blank if not tested):

	Standard Deviation	Sample Size		Standard Deviation	Sample Size
— Banks Grass Mite (<i>Oligonychus pratensis</i>)			—		
— Corn Earworm (<i>Helicoverpa zea</i>)			—		
— Leaf-Feeding			—		
— Silk Feeding :			—		
— — — — — mg larval wt.			—		
— Ear Damage			—		
— Corn Leaf Aphid (<i>Rhopalosiphum maidis</i>)			—		
— Corn Sap Beetle (<i>Carpophilus dimidiatus</i>)			—		
— European Corn Borer (<i>Ostrinia nubilalis</i>)			—		
— 1st Generation (Typically Whorl Leaf Feeding)			—		
— 2nd Generation (Typically Leaf Sheath-Collar Feeding)			—		
— Stalk Tunneling :			—		
— — — — — cm tunneled/plant			—		
— Fall Armyworm (<i>Spodoptera frugiperda</i>)			—		
— Leaf-Feeding			—		
— Silk-Feeding :			—		
— — — — — mg larval wt.			—		
— Maize Weevil (<i>Sitophilus zeamais</i>)			—		
— Northern Rootworm (<i>Diabrotica barberi</i>)			—		
— Southern Rootworm (<i>Diabrotica undecimpunctata</i>)			—		
— Southwestern Corn Borer (<i>Diatraea grandiosella</i>)			—		
— Leaf Feeding			—		
— Stalk Tunneling :			—		
— — — — — cm tunneled/plant			—		
— Two-spotted Spider Mite (<i>Tetranychus urticae</i>)			—		
— Western Rootworm (<i>Diabrotica virgifera virgifera</i>)			—		
— Other (Specify) _____			—		

12. AGRONOMIC TRAITS:

— <u>7</u> Stay Green (at 65 days after anthesis) (Rate on a scale from 1=worst to 9=excellent.)	<u>5</u>
— <u>0.0</u> % Dropped Ears (at 65 days after anthesis)	<u>0.0</u>
— <u>0.0</u> % Pre-anthesis Brittle Snapping	<u>0.0</u>
— <u>0.0</u> % Pre-anthesis Root Lodging	<u>16.0</u>
— <u>0.0</u> % Post-anthesis Root Lodging (at 65 days after anthesis)	<u>0.0</u>
— — — — — Kg/ha Yield of Inbred Per Se (at 12-13% grain moisture)	— — — — —

13. MOLECULAR MARKERS: (0=data unavailable; 1=data available but not supplied; 2=data supplied)

0 Isozymes 0 RFLP's 0 RAPD's

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COMMENTS (eg. state how heat units were calculated, standard inbred seed source, and/or where data was collected. Continue in Exhibit D):

$$GDD = \frac{T_{max} + T_{min}}{2} - 50^{\circ}F$$

$$\begin{aligned} T_{max} &< 86^{\circ}F \\ T_{min} &\geq 50^{\circ}F \end{aligned}$$

Seed Source: Iowa State University

Data collected at Williamsburg, Iowa 1995

Additional Description of the Inbred

Exhibit D

LH178 is an early season field corn inbred line that flowers similar to 1 day earlier than LH85. It is a very good pollinator and has potential to be a seed parent in the northern corn belt.

LH178 combines well with many of the early B14's and earlier B73's and is high yielding for its maturity. In hybrid combinations, LH178 contributes excellent root strength and very good tolerance to Eyespot and Gray Leaf Spot.

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1. NAME OF APPLICANT(S) HOLDEN'S FOUNDATION SEEDS, INC.	2. TEMPORARY DESIGNATION OR EXPERIMENTAL NUMBER Ex3509	3. VARIETY NAME LH178
4. ADDRESS (Street and No., or R.F.D. No., City, State, and ZIP Code, and Country) 201 N. MAPLEWOOD AVENUE PO BOX 839 WILLIAMSBURG, IA 52361	5. TELEPHONE (include area code) (319) 668-1100	6. FAX (include area code) (319) 668-2453
7. PVPO NUMBER 9600095		

8. Does the applicant own all rights to the variety? Mark an "X" in appropriate block. If no, please explain. ☒ YES ☐ NO

9. Is the applicant (individual or company) a U.S. national or U.S. based company? ☒ YES ☐ NO
If no, give name of country _____

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a. If original rights to variety were owned by individual(s):
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